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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H. *JE Fielding MD*
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SUBJECT: **HEAT EMERGENCY - UPDATE**

This is an update on the heat emergency declared by the Department of Public Health (DPH) for Santa Clarita and the Antelope Valleys beginning tomorrow, June 28, 2013 through Monday, July 1, 2013. The heat emergency is based on the forecasted extremely high temperatures for three days or more.

In light of the weekend's anticipated high temperatures in these areas, at a minimum the following facilities which serve as cooling centers will be open extended hours as noted in the table below:

Facility	Extended Hours	Location
Santa Clarita Valley Community Center	8am to 8pm, Friday, June 28, 2013 to Monday, July 1, 2013	22900 Market Street Newhall, CA 91321
Antelope Valley Senior Center	8am to 8pm, Friday, June 28, 2013 to Monday, July 1, 2013	777 West Jackman Street Lancaster, CA 93534

The total cost of extending hours at these centers during the declared heat emergency period is estimated to be \$20,000. These costs include staffing, security, utilities, and water for the patrons.

In addition to these facilities, the Department of Community and Senior Services (CSS) is working to identify additional locations operated by the cities in these two regions. Once these locations are confirmed, they will update the list of cooling centers on their webpage at the following address:
<http://css.lacounty.gov>.

In addition to the heat emergency declared in the Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys, DPH has also issued a "heat alert" for the San Gabriel Valley, the East San Gabriel Valley, and the San Fernando Valley for June 28, 2013 through Sunday, June 30, 2013. As the heat in these areas is forecasted to be less severe, DPH is not recommending extended hours for the cooling centers in these regions. The list of these cooling centers can be found on CSS's website or on DPH's webpage at
<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/docs/CoolingCtrs-6-3-13.pdf>.

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The Chief Executive Office (CEO) has developed an interactive map to locate the cooling centers, which can be found at this address: <http://mapsengine.google.com/map/viewer?mid=z9pztDeZdtqU.kxng5WTVTDIQ>.

DPH will continue to monitor this situation closely and will work with CSS, the Office of Emergency Management, and the CEO in ensuring the appropriate services are available to those affected.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please let me know.

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